

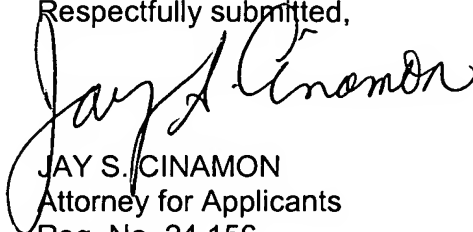
REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that the examination of this application proceed on the basis of the amendatory action taken herein and that this amendment be entered prior to calculating the filing fee and according the application a filing date.

The issuance of a Notice of Allowance with respect to claims 1-36, inclusive, is respectfully solicited.

Please charge any fees which may be due, and which have not been submitted herewith, to our Deposit Account No. 01-0035.

Respectfully submitted,



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